

REMARKS

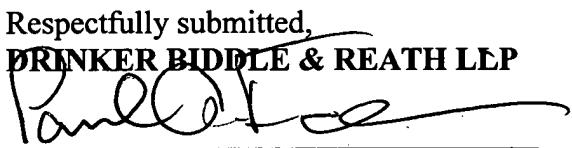
In addition to the Amendment filed on April 26, 2006 in this application and in further response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2005, Applicants have opted to implement the foregoing additional amendments to independent claim 13 to improve the form of the claims. It is respectfully submitted that the detailed Remarks presented in the Amendment filed on April 26, 2006 in response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2005 still apply.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully request reconsideration and timely allowance of the pending claims. A favorable action is awaited.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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